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Re

THOMAS BLACK

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33	1-29-54	w/copy cover page PH report to HQ RE: 3rd party	7/1	-	Referral
34	1-27-54	w/copy cover page BS report to HQ RE: 3rd party	6	-	Referral
35	2-3-54	w/copy cover page NY letter to HB RE: 3rd party	1/1	1/1	1
UR	1-21-54	PH teletype to HB and NY	1	1	
36	1-6-54	NY letter to HQ	1	1	
37	1-21-54	PH teletype to HQ and NY	1	1	
38	1-25-54	NY teletype to HQ	1	1	
39	1-29-54	w/copy cover page PH report to HQ RE: 3rd party	8/1	-	Referral
UR	2-19-54	CG teletype to HQ RE: 3rd party	1	1	0
40	2-24-54	w/copy cover page CG report to HQ RE: 3rd party	3/1	3/1	1
41	3-11-54	WFO letter to HQ	1	1	

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Re: THOMAS BLACK

Date: 1-78

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42	2-23-54	N.Y. to HQ (Letter) Re: 3rd party w/ copy cover page	1	—	Refusal
43	2-26-54	N.Y. to HQ (Report) Re: 3rd party w/ copy cover page	44/1	—	Refusal
44	4-5-54	S.F. to HQ (Report) Re: 3rd party w/ copy cover page	2/1	2/1	1
45	4-21-54	L.A. to HQ (Report) Re: 3rd party w/ copy cover page	2/1	2/1	1
46	5-11-54	PH to HQ (Letter)	1	1	
47	6-3-54	N.Y. to HQ (Letter) Re: 3rd party	1	1	
47	5-10-54	N.Y. to HQ (Report)	27	—	Refusal
47	5-10-54	N.Y. to HQ (Report) (copy)	27	—	"
48	5-20-54	WFO to HQ (Letter) Re: 3rd party w/ form/d 2/14	2	2	
49	5-24-54	L.A. to HQ (Letter) Re: 3rd party	1	1	
50	5-26-54	S.F. to HQ (Report) w/ copy of cover page	2/1	2/1	1
51	7-9-54	N.Y. to HQ (Report) Re: 3rd party w/ copy of cover page	4/1	4/1	1

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52	8-16-54	^{w/ cover page} HQ to N.Y. (Report) ^{w/ copy of cover page} w/ copy of cover page	1/4	1/4	
53	9-1-54	NFO to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd Party. ^{w/ copy of cover page} w/ search	1/2	1/2	
53	9-14-54	HQ to NY (memo) RE: 3rd Party	1	1	
54	9-7-54	NFO to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd Party	1	1	
55	9-23-54	HQ to NY (memo) RE: 3rd Party	1	1	
56	10-5-54	NY to HQ (Letter) w/ search slips	1/3	1/3	
57	10-6-54	NY to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd Party ^{w/ ENCL}	1/1	1/1	
57	10-15-54	^{outgoing} Letter to LOU RE: 3rd Party	1	1	
58	10-15-54	NY to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd Party	1	1	
59	10-16-54	Scheppe to Branigan memo RE: 3rd Party	2	2	
60	11-12-54	LIA to HQ (Letter) RE: 3rd Party	1	1	
UR	9-20-54	Scheppe to Branigan memo RE: 3rd Person	1	1	

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SERIALS 33

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Director, FBI (65-59452)

2/3/54

SAC, New York (65-15415)

NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: John
ESPIONAGE - R
(OO: NY)

Rerep of SA CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN, Philadelphia,
1/29/54, in which BLACK'S UNSUB JOHN is identified as
ERCHOV.

It is to be noted that NY letter to Director, 12/11/53,
entitled, "UNSUB, wa: John; [REDACTED]
ESPIONAGE - R," (Bufile 65-61847) (NY 65-16301), reflected
that future reports in that case would be entitled,
"NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: Nikolai Nikolaevich Ershov;
ESPIONAGE - R." That case is, therefore, the case file on
ERCHOV. b7d

Instant case is, therefore, being closed by this letter,
and outstanding leads in instant case and all future investigation
re ERCHOV will be covered and reported in the case file entitled,
"NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: Nikolai Nikolaevich Ershov;
ESPIONAGE - R," Bufile 65-61847, NY file 65-16301.

It is to be noted that the only outstanding lead in
instant case, to be covered and reported, as stated above,
is one lead for the NYO re ERCHOV, which was set out in rerep.
Boston covered its leads set out in rerep by Boston report
of SA WILLIAM J. PANTIJA, 1/27/54, entitled, "NIKOLAI
NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: Nikolai Nikolaevich Ershov;
ESPIONAGE - R."

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-59452)
FROM : SAC, New York (65-15415)
SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa; John
ESPIONAGE - R
(OO: NY)

DATE: 2/3/54

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Rerep of SA CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN, Philadelphia, 1/29/54, in which BLACK'S UNSUB JOHN is identified as ERCHOV.

It is to be noted that NY letter to Director, 12/11/53, entitled, "UNSUB, wa: John; [REDACTED] ESPIONAGE - R," (Bufile 65-61847) (NY 65-15301), reflected that future reports in that case would be entitled, "NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: Nikolai Nikolaevich Ershov; ESPIONAGE - R." That case is, therefore, the case file on ERCHOV. b7d

Instant case is, therefore, being closed by this letter, and outstanding leads in instant case and all future investigation re ERCHOV will be covered and reported in the case file entitled, "NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: Nikolai Nikolaevich Ershov; ESPIONAGE - R," Bufile 65-61847, NY file 65-16301.

It is to be noted that the only outstanding lead in instant case, to be covered and reported, as stated above, is one lead for the NYO re ERCHOV, which was set out in rerep. Boston covered its leads set out in rerep by Boston report of SA WILLIAM J. PANTTJA, 1/27/54, entitled, "NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa: Nikolai Nikolaevich Ershov; ESPIONAGE - R."

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1/21/54

DIRECTOR AND SAC

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, WA. JOHN, THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT, ESP - R. BLACK

DEFINITELY IDENTIFIED PHOTOGRAPH OF NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV AS HIS

UNKNOWN SOVIET SUPERIOR JOHN. PHOTOGRAPH OF ERCHOV WAS SUBMITTED TO

PHILA FOR IDENTIFICATION TO BLACK UNDER THE CAPTION "UNKNOWN SUBJECT, WA.

JOHN, [REDACTED] ESP-R". BLACK STATES ERCHOV AS

JOHN WAS HIS SOVIET SUPERIOR FOR A SHORT PERIOD IN EITHER 1939 OR 1940.

BLACK DOES NOT BELIEVE HE MET JOHN MORE THAN THREE OR FOUR TIMES. JOHN

OR ERCHOV'S CHIEF INTEREST APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN IN THE SOCIALIST WORKERS

PARTY AND HAD NO INTEREST IN INDUSTRIAL ESPIONAGE ACCORDING TO BLACK.

BLACK UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY INFO RE THE CONTACTS OR ASSOCIATES OF ERCHOV.

REPORTS WILL FOLLOW.

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CC 65-4823 (UNCLAS. JCH, [REDACTED], b7d
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to : Director, FBI (65-59452)
from : SAC, NY (65-15415)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, was: JOHN;
THOMAS L. BLACK, Informant
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 1/6/54

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Re NY report of SA ARTHUR E. NEUBAUER 8/19/53 and lead therein for WFO to attempt to locate certain photographs. (u)

It has been noted that investigation reported in WFO report of SA HOLLIS W. BOWERS, 11/9/53 entitled, "UNSUB, was: PAUL SMITH, PAUL PETERSON, ESPIONAGE - R," WFO 65-5504, a related case, was sufficient to also cover the leads set out for WFO in referenced NY report. (u)

WFO is requested to report the information appropriate to the UNSUB, JOHN case in instant case also, as NYO does not know the status of instant case in WFO. (u)

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See 77 letter 3-11-54
See 41

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT, WA. JOHN, THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT, ESP - R. BLACK

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BLACK UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY INFO RE THE CONTACTS OR ASSOCIATES OF ERCHOV.

REPORTS WILL FOLLOW.

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Mr. Belmont

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CC [REDACTED] UNSUB: JOHN [REDACTED]

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NEW YORK, NEW YORK, 1/25/54

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[UNSUB, WAS: JOHN, THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT, ESPIONAGE - R. WFO

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Special Agent in Charge

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FBI CHICAGO

FEBRUARY 8, 1954

DIRECTOR, FBI

ESPIONAGE - R. ON INSTANT

DATE FURNISHED A SIGNED STATEMENT TO SA'S HARRY A. WALKER AND
HORACE H. LILIS AFTER AGAIN VIEWING A PHOTOGRAPH OF NIKOLAI
NIKOLAEVICH BEROV, STATING THAT [REDACTED] WAS "REASONABLY SURE" THAT
BEROV WAS A [REDACTED]

IN NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK. REPORT IN INSTANT CASE WILL BE
SUBMITTED IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

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FILE NO.

REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE 2/24/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/27;2/8/54	REPORT MADE BY HARRY A. WALKER	HAW:JVB
TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa 1121 Nikolai Nikolaevich Ershov			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

On February 8, 1954, [redacted] furnished a signed statement advising that [redacted] is "reasonably sure" subject was [redacted]. Statement set forth.

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*Don't disseminate to RAB State, CIA until NY summary has been submitted 2/3/54 - HAW
NY Summary 2/6/54 sent to RAB, State/CIA - HAW*

DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On February 8, 1954, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, furnished the following signed statement to SA HORACE H. WILLIS and the reporting agent concerning [redacted] identification of NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, [redacted] in the United States, known [redacted].

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2/17/55

"Chicago, Illinois"

Chicago, Illinois, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents HARRY A. WALKER and HORACE H. WILLIS, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice. I have been advised that I do not have to make a statement, that I may consult counsel, and that the statement could be used against me in a court of law. No threats or promises have been made to induce me to make this statement. **b7d**

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"Special Agent HARRY A. WALKER has exhibited a photograph of a person whom he identifies as NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV. I am reasonably sure the man in that photograph is the man known to me

[REDACTED] in New York City, New York.

I voluntarily gave to Special Agents HARRY A. WALKER and HORACE H. WILLIS on November 9, 1953.

"I have read the above statement consisting of one page. I have initialed each correction and do hereby affix my signature to this page.

"Signed: [REDACTED]

"Chicago 26, Illinois
"February 8, 1954

"Witness:

"Special Agent Harry A. Walker
Federal Bureau of Investigation

"Special Agent Horace H. Willis
Federal Bureau of Investigation"

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REFERENCE

Report of SA HARRY A. WALKER at Chicago dated December 30, 1953. *See 31 (u)*

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE 2/24/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/27; 2/8/54	REPORT MADE BY HARRY A. WALKER	BY HAN:JVB
TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, wa Nikolai Nikolaevich Ershov			CHARACTER OF CASE PSYCHOLOGICAL R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: On February 8, 1954, [redacted] furnished a signed statement advising that [redacted] is "reasonably sure" subject was [redacted]. Statement set forth.

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On February 8, 1954, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, furnished the following signed statement to SA HORACE H. WILLIS and the reporting agent concerning [redacted] identification of NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, [redacted] in the United States, known [redacted].

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"Chicago, Illinois

"I, [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, make the following voluntary statement to Special Agents HARRY A. WALKER and HORACE H. WILLIS, Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice. I have been advised that I do not have to make a statement, that I may consult counsel, and that the statement could be used against me in a court of law. No threats or promises have been made to induce me to make this statement.

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DATE: 3/11/54

FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5737)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT WITH ALIAS JOHN;
THOMAS L. BLACK, INFORMANT
ESPIONAGE - R

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NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R

ReBulet (O-1) dated 3/9/54, and NYlet 1/6/54, which requested that the information set forth in the report of SA HOLLIS W. BOWERS, Washington, D. C., 11/9/53, in the case entitled "Unknown Subject with Alias PAUL SMITH, PAUL PETERSEN, Espionage - R," be reported also in this case. This report reflected that no photographs were available on 9 individuals (among others), whose pictures were sought for display to THOMAS L. BLACK.

The above lead, originally set forth in the report of SA ARTHUR E. NEUBAUER, New York, dated August 19, 1953, and referred to in NYrelet of 1/6/54, was disregarded upon receipt of airtel dated 1/25/54, from the office of origin requesting same in view of the identification by THOMAS L. BLACK of NIKOLAI ERCHOV as his unknown subject, JOHN.

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- 1 New York (65-15415)
- 1 New York (65-15301)

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

FILE NO.

REPORT MADE AT SAN FRANCISCO	DATE WHEN MADE APR 15 1954	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/12, 22, 24, 31/54	REPORT MADE BY JAMES P. RYE dgg
TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R 9-1

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Subject's photograph displayed to SF T-1, T-2, and T-3. All of these sources state subject unknown to them by name or photograph.

DETAILS:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

A photograph of the subject of this investigation was displayed to San Francisco T-1, T-2, and T-3, all of known reliability, and none of these individuals, all of whom were at one time familiar with some phases of Amtorg activity and/or Amtorg personnel, and these individuals advised that the subject is not known to them by name, description or photograph.

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LEADS:

SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Will display subject's photograph to [REDACTED] and question him for information concerning the contacts, associates, and activities of the subject. b7d

SOURCES:

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SF T-1	Negative	3/12/54	PAUL C. FULLER	[REDACTED]
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SF T-2	Negative	3/31/54	FRED R. ELLEDGE	[REDACTED]
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SF T-3	Negative	3/22/54	DAVID G. SPENCER	[REDACTED]
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REFERENCE: Report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN dated February 26, 1954 at New York.

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TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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'Subject's photograph displayed to SF T-1, T-2, and T-3. All of these sources state subject unknown to them by name or photograph.

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DETAILS:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

A photograph of the subject of this investigation was displayed to San Francisco T-1, T-2, and T-3, all of known reliability, and none of these individuals, all of whom were at one time familiar with some phases of Amtorg activity and/or Amtorg personnel and these individuals advised that the subject is not known to them by name, description or photograph.

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TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject is not known to T-1, T-2, T-3 and T-4 who have some knowledge of Soviet espionage activity between 1938 and 1942.

-P- *Negative in connection
no dissemination
any 4/24/54*

DETAILS:

At Los Angeles, California:

T-1, T-2, T-3, and T-4, all of known reliability, who have some knowledge of Soviet espionage activity during the period subject was in the United States (1938 to 1942), examined the photograph of subject and reviewed his description without effecting an identification.

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LEADS:

LOS ANGELES OFFICE

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At Los Angeles, California: Will, when [REDACTED] is available, exhibit a photograph of subject to him to determine information concerning subject's contacts, activities and associates.

INFORMANTS:

<u>Source</u>	<u>Date of Activity And/Or Desc. Info.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Agent</u>	<u>Location</u>
T-1 [REDACTED]	Negative contact	4/19/54	SA HAROLD F. DODGE	Oral
T-2 [REDACTED]	Negative contact	4/21/54	SA FRANCIS D. COOLEY	Oral
T-3 [REDACTED]	Negative contact	4/14/54	SA FLOYD W. BROWN	Oral
T-4 [REDACTED]	Negative contact	4/15/54	SA THOMAS E. BRYANT	Oral

REFERENCE: Report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN, 2/26/54, at New York.

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TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject is not known to T-1, T-2, T-3 and T-4 who have some knowledge of Soviet espionage activity between 1935 and 1942.

DETAILS:

At Los Angeles, California:

T-1, T-2, T-3, and T-4, all of known reliability, who have some knowledge of Soviet espionage activity during the period subject was in the United States (1935 to 1942), examined the photograph of subject and reviewed his description without effecting an identification.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (65-16301)
SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was
ESP. - R

DATE: MAY 5 1954

Re NY report in instant case dated 2/26/54.

The name set forth in paragraph two on page 24 should be corrected to read A. IVANES.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: May 20, 1954

FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5787)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R
(Office of Origin: NEW YORK)

Re report of Special Agent WALTER P. GAVIN dated February 26, 1954, at New York, New York, requesting that photographs of the subject be displayed to appropriate informants.

There are no former employees or agents of KGB, who are informants, located in this territory, with the exception of [REDACTED]

If and when he is interviewed by this office, a photograph of ERCHOV will be displayed to him. b7d

On March 23, 1954, a photograph of ERCHOV was displayed by Special Agent JOHN J. MURPHY to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] did not know ERCHOV and could not identify his photograph. b7d

Effort is still being made to interview [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] recent efforts to locate him [REDACTED] have been unsuccessful. A photograph of ERCHOV will be displayed to [REDACTED] b7d

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No additional indexing required. Derogatory information regarding individuals listed herein other than subject previously reported or is currently being submitted by this office in individual reports relating to these persons.

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Above applies, with the exception of those names checked in blue ink on right-hand margin, original pages.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: *RM* Director, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: May 24, 1954

FROM: SAC, Los Angeles (65-5644)

SUBJECT: *D* NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESP - R
OO: New York

Reference is made to the report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN, dated 5/10/54, at New York, wherein a lead was set out for Los Angeles to contact [REDACTED] when next available and exhibit a photograph of the subject to him. *b7d*

Inasmuch as the informant is [REDACTED] and it is not known exactly when he will return, this case is being placed in a pending inactive status and an administrative lead is being set out for [REDACTED] the control case for the above informant. *b7d*

CC: [REDACTED] *b7d*
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TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV - was.			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE-R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Subject's photograph displayed to SF T-1 who failed to recognize subject by name or photograph.

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*negative no dissemination
6/1/54-14*

DETAILS:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

A photograph of the subject was displayed to San Francisco T-1 of known reliability, who stated that the subject is not known to him by name, description or photograph.

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SOURCES:

Identity of Source	Date of Activity and/or Description of Information	Date Received	Agent to Whom Furnished	File Number Where Located
SF T-1 [REDACTED]		5/10/54	STANLEY P. FEWSTER	[REDACTED]

REFERENCE: Report of SA JAMES P. NYE, April 15, 1954.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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DETAILS:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

A photograph of the subject was displayed to San Francisco T-1 of known reliability, who stated that the subject is not known to him by name, description or photograph.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 7/8/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6/22, 23, 25/54	REPORT MADE BY WALTER P. GAVIN
TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ENCHOV, was			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

F-1 did not know ENCHOV and could not identify his photograph. SAM HANCAWICK preceded LEO MURPHY as superintendent of Valencia Apartments, 83-15 and 83-19 116th Street, New Gardens. Effort to locate SAM HANCAWICK in New York City negative.

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DETAILS:

On March 23, 1954 F-1, of unknown reliability, reported that he did not know ENCHOV and could not identify his photograph.

A report of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York dated September 1, 1942 reflected that NIKOLAI N. ENCHOV, 83-15 116th Street, New Gardens, Long Island, was moving to 83-19 116th Street, New Gardens. ENCHOV's business was listed as purchasing agent for Antorg Trading Corporation, 210 Madison Avenue, New York City.

It was ascertained that the Valencia Apartments are located at 83-15 and 83-19 116th Street, New Gardens.

Mr. LEO MURPHY, 83-19 116th Street, New Gardens, superintendent of the Valencia Apartments since 1943, advised that SAM HANCAWICK preceded him as superintendent of these apartments. Mr. MURPHY stated he has not

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TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

T-1 did not know ERCHOV and could not identify his photograph. SAM NANCARROW preceded LEO MULVEY as superintendent of Valencia Apartments, 83-15 and 83-19 116th Street, Kew Gardens. Effort to locate SAM NANCARROW in New York City negative.

DETAILS:

On March 23, 1954 T-1, of unknown reliability, reported that he did not know ERCHOV and could not identify his photograph.

A report of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York dated September 1, 1942 reflected that NIKOLAI N. ERCHOV, 83-15 116th Street, Kew Gardens, Long Island, was moving to 83-19 116th Street, Kew Gardens. ERCHOV's business was listed as purchasing agent for Amtorg Trading Corporation, 210 Madison Avenue, New York City.

It was ascertained that the Valencia Apartments are located at 83-15 and 83-19 116th Street, Kew Gardens.

Mr. LEO MULVEY, 83-19 116th Street, Kew Gardens, superintendent of the Valencia Apartments since 1943, advised that SAM NANCARROW preceded him as superintendent of these apartments. Mr. MULVEY stated he has not

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seen SAM NANCARROW for a long time and the last he heard NANCARROW was working as superintendent at the corner of 103rd Street or 104th Street and Madison Avenue, New York City.

Inquiries were made by the writer in the vicinity of 103rd Street and 104th Street and Madison Avenue, but SAM NANCARROW was not located here and was not known in the neighborhood. It was observed that all the buildings on the east side of Madison Avenue between 103rd Street and 104th Street were recently torn down. The building previously located on the northeast corner of Madison Avenue and 104th Street has also been torn down.

There is no listing for SAM NANCARROW in the current Manhattan-New York City telephone directory.

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<u>Identity of Source</u>	<u>Date of Activity and/or Description of Information</u>	<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Agent to Whom Furnished</u>	<u>File No. Where Located</u>
T-1 [REDACTED] b7d	Negative	3/23/54	SA JOHN J. MURPHY, WFO	Instant file

MISCELLANEOUS

It was ascertained that [REDACTED] and it is very indefinite as to when [REDACTED] will return to the U.S. b7d

LEADS

LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, California

When [REDACTED] is available will exhibit a photograph of subject to the informant to determine information concerning subject's contacts, activities, and associates. b7d

SAN FRANCISCO (INFORMATION)

One copy of this report is furnished to the San Francisco Office for its information pursuant to the instructions of the Bureau.

WASHINGTON FIELD

Washington, D. C.

Will exhibit photograph of subject to [REDACTED] for information concerning subject's contacts, associates, and activities. b7d

Will place stops with U.S. Customs and INS so that the FBI will be advised in event subject returns to the U.S. (description of subject set forth on page 39 of NY report dated 2/26/54).

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LEADS (Cont.)

NEW YORK

New York, New York

Upon return of [REDACTED] will exhibit photograph of subject to informant for information concerning subject's contacts, associates and activities. *b7d*.

REFERENCE: Report of SA WALTER P. GAVIN, NY, 5/10/54. *per 41*

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TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV - was.			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED]
T-2 and T-3, [REDACTED] unable to identify photograph of subject. Flash notices placed with Bureau of Customs and INS. b7d

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

T-1, of unknown reliability, [REDACTED] viewed on July 26, 1954, at Washington, D.C., by SAs EDWIN DALRYMPLE and MAURICE A. TAYLOR. The informant immediately identified a portrait style photograph of ERCHOV and identified him by his surname, stating that his first name was "maybe NIKOLAI." T-1 advised that he was not well acquainted with ERCHOV but [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Upon further thought, the informant expressed the belief that ERCHOV had an engineering background and may have been connected with technical intelligence. He described ERCHOV as about 45 years of age now, 6 feet in height, slender, black hair, complexion dark, somewhat foreign appearance, although Russian, believes he speaks English; knows nothing of the family history or personal background of ERCHOV except he was probably in the service as early as 1939. b7d

T-2, [REDACTED] who has furnished accurate information on past occasions, examined photograph of NICOLAI ERCHOV and advised that subject was unknown to him. b7d

T-3, [REDACTED] whose reliability is unknown, advised that the subject was unknown to him after viewing picture of ERCHOV. b7d

On August 9, 1954, flash notices were placed with the U.S. Bureau of Customs and the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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T-1 [REDACTED]	Identifying photo of subject	7/26/54	EDWIN DALRYMPLE and MAURICE A. TAYLOR	Instant File
T-2 [REDACTED]	Negative	3/23/54	JOHN JOSEPH MURPHY	" "
T-3 [REDACTED]	Negative	6/15/54	CARL F. MAISCH	" "

b7d

LEADSCHICAGO DIVISION: (INFORMATION)

A copy of this report is being furnished to Chicago because of its interest in NIKOLAI ERCHOV as subject growing out of investigation of [REDACTED] b7d

LOS ANGELES DIVISION: (INFORMATION)

A copy of this report is furnished to Los Angeles in accordance with pending instructions.

PHILADELPHIA DIVISION: (INFORMATION)

A copy of this report is designated for Philadelphia because of its interest in the identification of ERCHOV by THOMAS L. BLACK

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LEADS (Continued)

SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION: (INFORMATION)

A copy of this report is furnished to
San Francisco in accordance with pending Bureau
instructions.

REFERENCES: Reports of SA WALTER F. GAVIN dated
2/26/54 and 7/8/54 at New York.

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TITLE NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV - was.			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED]
T-2 and T-3, [REDACTED], unable to identify photograph of subject. Flash notices placed with Bureau of Customs and INS. *b7d*

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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

T-1, of unknown reliability, [REDACTED] interviewed on July 26, 1954, at Washington, D.C., by SAs EDWIN DALRYMPLE and MURICE A. TAYLOR. The informant immediately identified a portrait style photograph of ERCHOV and identified him by his surname, stating that his first name was "maybe NIKOLAI." T-1 advised that he was not well acquainted with ERCHOV but [REDACTED] *b7d*

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

T-2 and T-3, [REDACTED] unable to identify photograph of subject. Flash notices placed with Bureau of Customs and INS. **67d**

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AGENCY *Ret. State Dept.*
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HOW FORW. *6-9-14-54*
BY *A. J. A. J.*

DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

T-1, of known reliability, who is [REDACTED] interviewed on July 26, 1954 at Washington, D.C., by SAs EDWIN DALRYMPLE and MAURICE A. TAYLOR. The informant immediately identified a portrait style photograph of ERCHOV and identified him by his surname, stating that his first name was "maybe NIKOLAI." T-1 advised that he was not well acquainted with ERCHOV but [REDACTED]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: 9/1/54

FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5787)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R

(OO: New York)

Attached are six copies of a blank memorandum dated 9/1/54 containing information concerning the subject as furnished by [REDACTED]. This information was supplied to SAs MAURICE A. TAYLOR and EDWIN DALRYMPLE on 7/26/54. *b7d*

Two copies of this memorandum are being furnished to the New York office in view of the fact that New York is origin in this case. It will be noted that this information has been incorporated in the report submitted by this office under the date of 8/16/54. RUC.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D. C.
September 1, 1954

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. _____

RE: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV

On July 26, 1954, a confidential source of unknown reliability _____

_____ identified a photograph of ERCHOV and also furnished his surname. The source stated that ERCHOV's first name "may be NIKOLAI." b7d

The source advised that he was not well acquainted with ERCHOV but _____

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He described ERCHOV as about 45 years of age, six feet in height, slender build, having black hair, dark complexion with a somewhat foreign appearance, and believed he speaks English. The source knows nothing of the family history of ERCHOV and nothing of the personal background of ERCHOV. The source stated that ERCHOV has probably been in the MVD and its predecessor organizations since 1939. b7d

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ENCLOSURE

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September , 1954

RE: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV

On July 20, 1954, a confidential source of unknown reliability [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] identified a photograph of ERCHOV and also furnished his surname. The source stated that ERCHOV's first name "may be NIKOLAI." b7d

The source advised that he was not well acquainted with ERCHOV but [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b7d

He described ERCHOV as about 45 years of age, six feet in height, slender build, having black hair, dark complexion with a somewhat foreign appearance, and believed he speaks English. The source knows nothing of the family history of ERCHOV and nothing of the personal background of ERCHOV. The source stated that ERCHOV has probably been in the MVD and its predecessor organizations since 1939.

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SAC, New York (65-16301)

September 14, 1954

Director, FBI (65-61847)-53

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NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH KRCHOV, was.
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Re WFO letter 9-1-54 enclosing for the New York office two copies of a memorandum dated 9-1-54, which memorandum contained information concerning the subject as furnished by [REDACTED] b7d

NY Cor 10-6-54

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: SEP 7 1954

FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5787)

SUBJECT: — NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R
(OO: New York)

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of amended page 1 of the report of SA MAURICE A. TAYLOR dated 8/16/54 at Washington, D.C. Copies of this amended page are also enclosed for other offices as indicated.

Subsequent to submission of this report, the Bureau advised that the informant should be described as "of unknown reliability."

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- 1 - Chicago (65-3844) (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Los Angeles (65-5644) (Info) (Encl. 1) (RM)
- 2 - New York (65-16301) (Encl. 3) (RM)
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SAC, New York (65-16301)

September 23,
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Director, FBI (65-61847)

**NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R**

Re pending inactive report of SA Walter P. Caven,
made 7/8/54, at New York, which set out a lead to exhibit
a photograph of the subject to [REDACTED]
for any information in her possession regarding the
subject and O-1 form dated 8/31/54, returned by you
advising that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] b7d

In view of the identification of this subject as
[REDACTED], Thomas Black and
[REDACTED] and since Erchov left the United States
in 1942, the Bureau feels that consideration should be
given to the closing of this case without contacting
[REDACTED] unless the New York office has a particular
specific reason for contacting that informant in this
case. Consequently, you are instructed to review your
files thoroughly to insure that all pertinent information
concerning the subject has been incorporated in report
form suitable for dissemination and that all necessary
investigation has been completed and reported. Upon com-
pletion of this review you should submit your recommendations
as to the advisability of closing this case. You
realize, of course, that it is your responsibility to
determine that an investigation has been brought to a
logical conclusion before you recommend closing the same. b7d

NOTE: Erchov entered the U.S. in 1938 and left for Russia
in 1942. He has been identified by [REDACTED]
Black and [REDACTED] as a Soviet agent. New York placed
this case in a pending inactive status, awaiting the
return of [REDACTED] in order to display to her
a photograph of the subject. The Bureau is not aware
of the specific reason why New York desires to show this
photograph to that informant and consequently New York is
being advised to consider closing instant case without
contacting that informant. b7d

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-61847)
 FROM : SAC, NY (65-16301)
 SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was
 ESPIONAGE-R

DATE: 10/5/54

Rebulet 9/23/54 advising that the Bureau feels that consideration should be given to the closing of this case without contacting [REDACTED] (u)

It is recommended that this case be closed without contacting [REDACTED] b7d

UACB, this case is being closed by the NYO. (u)

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Subj: ERSHOV, NICHOLAS N.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-61847)
FROM : SAC, New York (65-16301)
SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was
ESPIONAGE - R

DATE: 10/6/54

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine copies of a blind memorandum concerning subject and nine copies of a photograph of subject, date taken not known.

One copy of this memorandum and one photo of subject are enclosed for each office receiving a copy of this letter.

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SECTION

New York, New York

OCT 5 1954

NAME NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH TRSHOV

ALIASES Nikolai Nikolaevich Trshov, Nicholas N. Trshov, "John"

PAST RESIDENCE 284 Harvard Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts (1938)
388 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts (February, 1938 - May, 1940)
711 St. Marks Avenue, Brooklyn, New York (July, 1940 - December, 1942)
53-15 and 85-19 116th Street, Kew Gardens, Long Island (1942)

DESCRIPTION

Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	47
Date of Birth	April 16, 1907
Place of Birth	Gorino, Ivanova, USSR
Height	5' 10"
Complexion	Fair
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Scars and Marks	None known
Marital Status	Married
Relatives	Wife: ANNA TRSHOVA

ACTIVITIES TRSHOV arrived in the United States at New York City, 1/12/38, giving his destination as the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, Massachusetts. He departed from New York City destined for the Soviet Union on 2/17/42. While in the United States, subject was employed by Amtorg Trading Corporation at New York City and Washington, D. C. TRSHOV was identified by three different individuals as a Soviet Agent known to them. Another source, [REDACTED]

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Attached hereto are four copies of a memorandum concerning Nikolai Nikolaevich Erchov.

Attachment

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cc - 2 - Legal Attache (attachment) ~~SECRET~~-AIR COURIER
London, England

cc - 2 - Liaison Representative (attachment) REGISTERED AIRMAIL
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

cc - 1 - Foreign Service Desk

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: 10/13/54

FROM : SAC, New York (65-16301)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was
ESPIONAGE - R
(OO: New York)

Reference is made to the lead for the Los Angeles Office to exhibit photograph of subject to [REDACTED] set out in NY report dated 7/8/54. b7d

This is to advise that a photograph of the subject was displayed to [REDACTED] at NY, NY, on 10/5/54 by SA HOWARD H. DAVIS. [REDACTED] did not recognize the photograph or name of subject and was unable to furnish any information concerning him. b7d

*Case closed
by memo
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : E. A. Branigan *guk*

DATE: October 18, 1954

FROM : H. W. Schweppa *VI*~~TOP SECRET~~ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was
ESPIONAGE - R

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DETAILS:

Nikolai Nikolaevich Erchov was born in Russia on April 16, 1907. From 1930 to 1937, he attended and was a research analyst at the Research Institute in Moscow. He entered the United States at New York City on January 19, 1938, for the purpose of studying at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from which he was graduated in 1940. From 1940 until his departure in 1942, he was an employee of the Amtorg Trading Corporation in New York City and as such is known to have been in Seattle, Washington; White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia; and Chicago. He departed from New York City for the Soviet Union on September 16, 1942.

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Thomas L. Black, an admitted Soviet agent, has advised that during 1939 and 1940 he was in contact with a Soviet superior known only to him as "John." Black has identified his "John" as being identical with Erchov. According to Black, Erchov's chief interest was Trotskyite activity. He was not interested in securing information concerning industrial processes.

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has identified as Erchov, and thereafter, until

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Photographs of Erchov were shown with negative results to various confidential informants with a knowledge of certain phases of Soviet espionage during the late 1930's and early 1940's, such as Elizabeth Bentley, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] investigation in the vicinity of Erchov's residences in the United States failed to establish any evidence of subversive activity on his part. On 7-26-54, [REDACTED] identified a photograph of [REDACTED] b7D

Since Erchov and his family departed from the United States for Russia in 1942, and since his exact whereabouts is unknown, he has not been placed on the Security Index. In view of this subject's departure from the United States in 1942, for the USSR, this case has not been presented to the Internal Security Division for prosecutive option. Pertinent reports in this case have been disseminated to PAB, State, and CIA. Inserts on Erchov for the [REDACTED] have been received and will be given the usual dissemination. Steps against the subject's re-entry into the United States were placed with the Bureau of Customs and INS on 8-9-54. 51

By letter 10-5-54 New York advised its case on Erchov was considered closed. Review of Bureau references, as well as the subject's main file, failed to locate any information requiring further investigation.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the above, since all logical leads appear to have been covered and since the subject has been absent from the United States since 1942, it is recommended that this case be closed and that this memorandum be made a part of the subject's main file, 65-61847.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: 11/19/54

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (65-5644)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R
(OO: New York)

Re New York report 7/8/54 by SA WALTER P. GAVIN in the above-captioned case which sets forth a lead for Los Angeles to display a photograph of the above-captioned subject to [REDACTED] b7d

Please be advised that when SA HOWARD H. DAVIS was in New York City on 10/5/54 a photograph of ERCHOV was made available to him by agents of the New York Office. The photograph was displayed to [REDACTED] whose comments were given to the New York Office and will be contained in a New York report. b7d

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TO : W. A. Branigan

FROM: H. W. SCHWEPPE

NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERICSON
CSP-R

Captioned case has been reviewed and careful consideration given to the advisability of any re-interviews, interviews or other action which may now appear warranted. In the event such now appears desirable, necessary action is being initiated.

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TO : W. A. Branigan *AB*

FROM: H. W. SCHWEPPE

NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was

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Captioned case has been reviewed and careful consideration given to the advisability of any re-interviews, interviews or other action which may now appear warranted. In the event such now appears desirable, necessary action is being initiated.

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TO : W. A. Branigan *As*

FROM: H. W. SCHWEPPE

NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERICHOV, was

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CSP-R *Gregg*

Captioned case has been reviewed and careful consideration given to the advisability of any re-interviews, interviews or other action which may now appear warranted. In the event such now appears desirable, necessary action is being initiated.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (65-61847)

DATE: 1/27/56

FROM : SAC, WFO (65-5787)

SUBJECT: NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
ESPIONAGE - R
(OO: New York)

In August, 1954, lookout notices were placed with All Collectors of Customs and with the INS concerning the captioned individual, who has been described by a [REDACTED]

In the opinion of WFO, procedures presently being followed by the Bureau in connection with the [REDACTED] make it unnecessary to continue these steps. Unless advised to the contrary by the Office of Origin or the Bureau within 30 days from the date of this communication, these notices will be cancelled.

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TO: F. A. Branigan, *AS*
FROM: H. W. SCHWEPPE

NIKOLAI NIKOLAEVICH ERCHOV, was.
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Captioned case has been reviewed and careful consideration given to the advisability of any reinterviews, interviews or other action which may now appear warranted. In the event such now appears desirable, necessary action is being initiated.

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BAC, New York (65-14737)

2/27/64

Director, FBI (65-57905)

ISMAK ABDULOVICH AKHIEZOV, aka;
ELENA IVANOVNA AKHIEZOV, aka
ESPIONAGE - R

Re:FOlet 1/29/64 and New York letter 2/10/64,
captioned as above.

A review of Bufiles has disclosed the following
information which the Bureau considers pertinent regarding
the identification of Nikolai Erchov as a former Soviet
agent [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] in a signed statement given to Agents
of the Chicago Office in 1954 advised that [REDACTED] was "reasonably
sure" that Nikolai Nikolaevich Erchov was [REDACTED] in
New York [REDACTED] b7D

The Bureau has also noted that Erchov was identified
by Thomas L. Black as his Soviet superior who was known as
"John." He stated that "John" was his Soviet superior for
a short period in either 1939 or 1940 and it is noted that
the time element involved in the case of Thomas L. Black and
[REDACTED] corresponds. The type of information in which
"John" was interested, according to Thomas L. Black, also
corresponds with information furnished by [REDACTED]
concerning Nikolai Erchov. b7D

In addition, [REDACTED] who was formerly
involved in Soviet espionage, has identified Erchov as a
Soviet agent known [REDACTED]

In view of the above facts and in the absence of
more concrete information that might indicate that [REDACTED]
was known to [REDACTED] the Bureau feels that
there is nothing to be gained by interviewing [REDACTED]
at this time. It should be kept in mind that [REDACTED] ten
years have passed since [REDACTED] indicated [REDACTED] was
"reasonably sure" of the identity of Erchov as [REDACTED] Soviet
[REDACTED] that the subsequent investigation of Erchov
indicated that his identification as "John" is sound. b7D

58 MAR 10 1964

2 - WFO (65-4968)

DUPLICATE YELLOW

WAA:klw (8)

1 - 65-61847 (Erchov)

SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

1 - [REDACTED] b7D

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Letter to New York

Re: ISKHAK ABDULOVICH AKHMEROV, aka;
ELENA IVANOVNA AKHMEROV, aka

65-57905

The Bureau will be interested in any information that may be developed or received through any other sources that might serve as a sound basis for reinterviewing [redacted] in this matter. b7D

NOTE:

NY has raised the question as to whether there is a possibility that Akhmerov may have been the Soviet superior of [redacted]. NY letter indicates [redacted] was hesitant in identification of Erchov and never positively identified him. A review of the investigation involving [redacted] as well as the case involving Erchov indicates [redacted] in a signed statement indicated [redacted] "reasonably sure" that Erchov was the individual [redacted] in NY. It is also of interest to note that THOMAS L. BLACK had a Soviet superior who was known as "John" and that Black positively identified Erchov as "John." The same is true of [redacted] who identified Erchov as a Soviet agent [redacted] b7D

In the absence of some concrete indication and due to the lapse of ten years time, it is not felt that there is anything to be gained by raising a question with [redacted] as to the possibility that Akhmerov rather than Erchov was [redacted] b7D

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